

**City of Austin, Neighborhood Housing and Community Development  
Project Update on the African American Cultural and Heritage Facility  
for the African American Resource Advisory Commission and  
the Urban Renewal Board of the City of Austin**

**October 2012**

**Funding:**

1. Total funding commitment:

\$1,500,000 2006 General Obligation bonds (Capital Improvement Project)  
\*\$ 561,576 HUD stimulus monies (Community Development Block Grant-Recovery)  
\$2,213,790 NHCD - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)  
\$ 136,717 NHCD - Economic Development Initiative (EDI)  
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\$4,412,083

\*CDBG-R funds, in the amount of \$8,873, from the completed CDBG-R Sidewalk Project were reprogrammed to the African American Cultural and Heritage Facility project.

**Milestones (Updated):**

October

- a. Site landscaping continued. In the Dedrick-Hamilton house, lighting fixtures and plumbing fixtures installed, sheetrock installed. Additional bracing was completed under the house and in the attic to ensure proper stabilization.
- b. Art wall installation to be completed first two weeks of November.
- c. Job Creation – Total Full Time Equivalent (FTE) construction jobs created, funded with stimulus funds are 13 jobs. Total jobs created for all fund sources are 41 for a total of 54 construction jobs.
- d. Project Completion and Ribbon Cutting has been postponed- Unfortunately, some unexpected delays in delivery of key materials, subcontractor turnover and unanticipated conditions of the Dedrick-Hamilton House has resulted in delay of project completion therefore requiring the Ribbon Cutting to be postponed.

**General Information:**

1. Tenant lease negotiations underway

- a. Neighborhood Housing and Community Development staffs along with staff from the City's Office of Real Estate Services continue to work with the tenants to finalize the leases.
- b. Capital City African American Chamber of Commerce Lease Executed

**Tentative Schedule (Updated)**

- ❖ November/December
  - Finalize Lease Agreements
  - Substantial Completion – November 30, 2012
- ❖ December/January
  - Tenants Move In